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WAITING LIST FOR TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN JHARKHAND
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Jharkhand State as on March 31, 2001, district-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting list?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The number of persons in the waiting list for telephone connections in Jharkhand State as on March 31, 2001 is 13322. The district-wise status is given in Annexure-I

(b) The following steps have been taken by the department to clear the waiting list:

i) Exchange equipment required for opening new exchanges and expansion of existing new exchanges is under the process of procurement.
ii) Laying of under ground cable has been planned.

ANNEXURE-I

District-wise Waiting List

Sl. No.	Name of District	Waiting List
1.	Dhanbad	1621
2.	Bokaro	2114
3.	Hazaribagh	885
4.	Giridih	150
5.	Chatra	25
6.	East Singhbhum	2376
7	West Singhbhum	404
8.	Ranchi	1112
9.	Lohardaga	77
10.	Gumla	182
11.	Palamu	260
12.	Garhwa	20
13.	Deoghar	2411
14.	Dumka	447

15. Sahabganj 423
16. Koderma 115
17. Pakur 65
18. Godda 635